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ELECTION

In response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2002, applicant hereby elects the species designated Group C, Fig.

Claims 1-3 are generic. Claims 1-3, 4, 7 and 8 read on the Fig. 4 embodiment.

An action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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